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Olympics Pick Giant Ross To Defeat Duke

Former Portland Swimmer Has Many Records in Short Distance Swimming Events—Winged O Man Has Defeated Small and Cunha and is Being Groomed for a Crack at Present World's Champion—Aquatic Star is 19 Years of Age

By R. C. Bailey.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—No champion lasts forever.

Even the greatest of them totters from his pinnacle in the end and makes way for a younger rival.

Is Duke Kahanamoku, the greatest of all the swimmers, approaching his doom?

Has the time come for the wonder of the Pacific Island waters to step down from his supremacy?

Those who have been studying the practice of a certain freckled giant recently from the north, and now displaying the winged O uniform of the Olympic Club, claim that serious trouble is brewing for the Duke.

Enthusiastic admirers of the mighty Hawaiian laugh at the idea. They are about as ready to admit that their idol is in danger as the friends of McLaughlin were when 19-year-old Bill Johnston stepped into the court and took his national title.

Freckled Giant.
Curiously enough, this amphibian freckled giant is also aged 19, but apart from his years and complexion he resembles the tennis champion in no particular.

Norman Ross, formerly of the Multnomah, Portland, and now of the Olympics, San Francisco, is in some respects the most remarkable athlete wearing the club colors.

A recent performance of his at Nelson, B. C., demonstrates his athletic abilities more vividly than a string of superlatives and a long description. He won the broad jump, high jump, shot put, high hurdles and took second in the 100 and 220. Then he had lunch. In the afternoon, in the water, the 50 and 100-yard swims fell to him easily and he was second in the canoe singles and first in the doubles in partnership with another athlete. Ten medals in one day on land and sea is encouraging even for a youth of 19, tipping the scales at 204 pounds. But while Frank Foster of the Olympic track team is deeply interested in the possibilities of Ross as manipulator of a javelin and shot put, it is his sensational swimming that has linked his name with the Duke.

Stack of Records.
To begin with, Ross won everything in the Northwest. The three-mile classic in the Willamette river has twice been his. He holds the record for the race—1 hour 22 minutes 30-seconds. He treated the sprinters as unceremoniously as the long distance men. In 1912 he won the 220 and 880 Northwest championships. In 1914 he was yet more successful and took the 100, 220 and 500 all in record time. The big day swim of three-quarters of a mile, representing the Golden Gate ordeal of the north, was

achieved by Ross in 12 minutes, a performance unequalled before or since. During a brief incursion into the interior Ross claimed the 50, 100, 220, 440, 880 and mile championships of Idaho—all in three days. He had only just recovered from several weeks' illness in a hospital when competing here in the national championships and he failed to impress. But in subsequent races in the Olympic tank and at a number of meets he has banished all doubts as to his extraordinary speed and stamina. In quick succession he defeated Ernie Smith, Bob Small and George Cunha. For a youngster who has been swimming but three years these are amazing achievements.

Made 24-25.
But he is improving every day. His speed was at first largely the result of mere physical power. He thrashed the water into a veritable froth in his herculean efforts. Sid Cavell and other experts are imparting polish and the young giant is clipping fractions off the Olympic tank records almost weekly. His official times at present are 50 yards, 24.25 secs.; 100 yards, 55.45; 220, 2:28.45.

A swimming meet will be held at Honolulu in February. McGilvray of Chicago and Lady Langer of U. C. will be there. Also Ross and the Duke. The men who chronicle records are already sharpening their pencils.

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
CASTNER, Dec. 23.—All preliminaries have been arranged and the Regimental Baseball League of the 1st Infantry will open with a rush on January 3. The playing schedule has not been announced as yet and will be changed from time to time, the changes being necessitated by the fact that the baseball players must attend all company duties, such as practice marches, guard, etc. The Post Exchange Council has voted a cash prize of \$50 to be dispersed as follows: Twenty-five dollars to the winning team, \$15 to the second and \$10 to the third. In addition, Wight & Ditson, the popular sporting goods manufacturers, are giving a silver cup to the team which lands the pennant.

The Regimental League in the 1st Infantry has always produced a great amount of enthusiasm and the rivalry among the teams is of the keenest. Last year only one game separated the first and second place teams and the team in fourth place was only five games behind the leaders. Not only is a good brand of baseball turned out in this company series, but this league proves an excellent training camp for the regimental team. A majority of the players on the team which is struggling with the 25th Regimental team for baseball supremacy of the post made their debut in their company team in the Regimental League.

HONOLULU LEADS COAST LEAGUERS IN ALLEY GAME

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The Honolulu team is now leading in the California State Y. M. C. A. Bowling League, due to the unexpected trouncing given Sacramento by Fort McDowell on December 10, news of which reached the local association by the Chiyo Maru this morning.

Fort McDowell rolled 2629 against Sacramento's 2464, and the result was four straight for the soldiers against the league leaders. The dope was completely upset and it was extremely lucky for Honolulu, since neither Oakland nor Los Angeles had been able to take a game from Sacramento.

The Naval Station team took three from Vallejo on December 10, and Oakland pulled out of last place by winning three out of four from Los Angeles. Honolulu won four straight from San Jose on that evening, which gives the locals a percentage of 917 and the league leadership.

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Bob Devere May Be Groomed For Bout With Jess

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—George Lawrence, the Australian promoter, who after making boxing the national sport in his native land sold his interest to John Wren, who controls the McIntosh-Baker stadium's syndicate in Australia, is now grooming a boy who gives promise of being the one who will wrest the heavyweight crown from Jess Willard, world's champion, if given a chance with the champion before the present season of boxing is over.

The youngster is Bob Devere, who recently came here from Kansas City, and who is only 20 years of age. He was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and stands just 6 feet in height. His weight is 195 pounds, every bit of which is bone and muscle. He was brought up on a farm in Missouri. He has been boxing a little over a year during which time he has made a wonderful record for a youngster who never saw a boxing glove until he was put in the ring at Kansas City with Sailor Grande, who only a few weeks ago at Philadelphia gave Jack Dillon the fight of his life.

Knockout in First Fight.
In his first fight Devere knocked out the hard hitting sailor. The club rematched the pair, and this time the big boy was returned winner on points. Devere then started to train with Jim Flynn, who the first few days at training quarters beat him up pretty badly, but before a week had passed the Pueblo fireman gave Devere the gate from training quarters because the Kid knocked him out in one of their workouts.

Since then Devere has met nineteen second class heavies in the west, which included a fifteen round bout with Dick Gilbert. He knocked out Jack Grant in four rounds; Jack Lawler he stopped in one round; Jack Lester was beaten in ten rounds, and Devere knocked out twelve other big fellows in quick order. His only defeat was at the hands of Carl Morris in an eight round bout at Morris' home town.

Going Slow With Kid.
Lawrence, in speaking of his charge today, said: "Bob is only a boy and I do not intend to hurry him too fast, although Sam McVey, who is tutoring him in his race for the heavyweight crown, feels sure Devere can now defeat the man who holds the title."

McVey is taking the utmost interest in the young Irishman who is heading towards cleaning up the present crop of heavyweights around the East. Then he will be in a position to go after Jess Willard.

Lawrence is going after Gunboat Smith, Porky Flynn, Jim Savage and Jim Flynn.

INTERMEDIATES OPEN BOWLING SCHEDULE AT Y. M. C. A. LAST-NIGHT

The first bowling match between the young men of the Intermediate Department, which was played last evening at the Y. M. C. A., was a big success. Dope had it that the pin smashers on the Knights of Kamehameha team would win the first match of the series, but the Washington team upset things by winning each of the three games by a narrow margin.

Both teams bowled consistent games. Akana, who took W. Sing Fook's place on the K. of K. team in the second set, made the high individual score for the evening, 169. Sing made the high score for the Washington team, 164, and also made the highest average score for the three games, 157.

Summary of the match:
Knights of Kamehameha.
Kahalewai 133 133 135 401
Sing Fook 90 90
Silva 125 143 119 387
Chas. Akana 94 169 263
Totals 348 370 423 1141

Washingtons.
Tai Loy 81 106 138 325
Lum Dunn 110 141 127 378
Sing 164 147 160 471
Totals 358 394 425 1174

The next match will be played between the Double X Club and the Knights of Kamehameha Thursday evening, December 30, at 6:45 o'clock.

GEORGE REED LEADS WITH 181 AVERAGE

According to the averages compiled by official scorer W. A. Raseman, Geo. C. Reed of the Service leads the Y. M. C. A. bowling league to date. Reed's average is 181 for 21 games. Frank Benson of the Cosmos is second with 180.01 and Mosley of the Service takes third place.

Mosley has dropped to 178.09 after leading the league for nearly a month. Bill Raseman has been picking up and is now in fourth place with 175.13 while his captain, J. C. Chamberlin, holds fifth position.

Henry White of the Cosmos, C. G. Clark of the Honolulu and Chas. E. Goebig of the Service are the other men having an average of over 170. O. P. Soares is the leader of the P. B. C. with 167.75, while Wikander's average of 167.16 makes him the best of the Nationals. The complete averages follow:

FORSAKEN BY CAMP

Lai Tin Enters Dash Events At Kapiolani Park



Johnny Maulbetsch, the sensational Michigan halfback who was selected on last year's All-American eleven in his first year of football. Last season he gained more yardage against Harvard than Mahan, Bradlee and the entire Harvard team annexed against the Ann Arbor team. This year his work improved 50 per cent, but Camp forgot him. The Michigan team was a failure this year but "Mauly" was the big star in the Cornell and Pennsylvania games, both on the defense and the offense.

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Lai Tin, one of the fastest sprinters in the islands, has entered the 100-yard dash event at the New Year's races at Kapiolani Park on January 2. The member of the Travelers has been one of the most consistent century performers in the world of track, and local sprint followers expect the time to be around 16.1 when the speed burner gets in action the day after New Year's.

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Football and Baseball For Christmas Shoppers

Fine Line of Christmas Punts, Drop Kicks and Imported Touchdowns on Sale at Moiliili Field Tomorrow Morning—Sale Starts at 9:30—Also Announce Sale of Bingles, Bunts, Squeeze Plays and Newest Style Out Shoots at Athletic Park at 3:15—After Christmas Sale on Sunday

CHRISTMAS SPORT PROGRAM.

Saturday at 9:30 a. m.—Football, National Guard vs. 2nd Infantry at Athletic Park.

Saturday at 3:15 p. m.—Baseball, Chinese Travelers vs. All-Service at Athletic Park.

Sunday at 1:30 p. m.—Baseball, All-Chinese vs. All-Army at Athletic Park.

Sunday at 3:30 p. m.—Baseball, 25th Infantry vs. Portuguese at Athletic Park.

Football will have its exit tomorrow morning when the National Guard eleven will clash with the 2nd Infantry team at Moiliili Field at 9:30. This contest will decide the championship of the regimental league and the winner on the morrow will receive from the football Santa Claus full title to all championships in football that happen to be wandering around.

They tell you on the street corners and on the highways and byways that there will be a grand battle on the gridiron in the crucial contest of the season. Lieut. Lyman wore a smile last night, and this smile meant trouble to the Guard squad. At Shafter they will whisper that the National Guard will hike back from the game with a big 0 to comfort them. That's the Shafter end.

Brooches and Victory.
If you drop into the jewelry emporium and ask Fred Wichman he will tell you a different story about what the National Guard has ready for the Shafter aggregation. Between discussions on diamond brooches and solitaires you may be able to discover that the organization as it stands now will return from the game a victor.

Practice has been in order for the Guard team and many of the players have shown a disposition to get down and dig this week. The Guard grid-iron artists know that the Shafter team will be dangerous and it has behooved them to get all the work that is possible before the big game. The last contest resulted in a score of 6 to 3, and inasmuch as the Shafter team has improved nearly 50 per cent there is certain to be a grand struggle on Christmas morning.

Lyman Has Fast Squad.
Charles Lyman has a number of fast men on the team and with Rasquin and Dorris in the backfield and a strong line with Miller, Adamecats, Allen, Hassen, Kester, Schlemmer and Long the squad looms up as an even money bet, at least, tomorrow morning. Long at end has been a star in the games of the series, and this man is to be watched in the battle tomorrow.

Bill Rosa is not in condition for the game, but Peden, Harte, Brash, Austin, Ahmorg, Brown and Rice will be given a chance to show in the backfield. With Purvis and Brown at the ends and O'Dowda, Carter, Parker Lee, Moore, Machado and other candidates in the line, Manager Wichman believes that the championship will go to the Guard this year. Bill Lyman will be back in harness, which will be a big help to the squad.

Plenty of Baseball.
On Christmas afternoon the fans of the city will have an opportunity to watch the Chinese Travelers work against a crack service team. Dum-shot has gathered together an all-star bunch, and Lai Tin stated yesterday that he expected a hard game when the Travelers stack up against the service aggregation. In past games the Travelers have performed in fine fashion and the inside ball displayed has particularly impressed the fans.

Tomorrow we will be wishing you

A Happy CHRISTMAS

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